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In re Application of:

Butler

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For: Incorporation of Gilsonite into  
Asphalt Compositions

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED MARCH 24, 2005**

In response to the Office Action dated March 24, 2005, having a shortened  
statutory period for response set to expire on June 24, 2005, Applicants thank the  
Examiner for his time on May 3<sup>rd</sup> and request allowance of the claims based on that  
discussion and the following.